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SUBJECT: KENYA AIRWAYS TO PURCHASE JUMBOS

1. KENYA NEWS MEDIA REPORTED LAST WEEK THAT KENYA AIRWAYS (KA) HAS DECIDED TO PURCHASE WIDE-BODIED AIRCRAFT. ACCORDING TO PRESS REPORTS, KA HAS DISCUSSED POSSIBLE PURCHASE WITH BOEING, DOUGLAS, AND LOCKHEED. REPORTS STATED KA CHOICE IS EXPECTED TO BE LOCKHEED'S DASH 500, A SHORTENED VERSION OF THE 1011 TRISTAR. LOCKHEED'S REGIONAL REP BASED IN NAIROBI, HOWEVER, DENIED REPORT THAT CHOICE HAD BEEN MADE AND SAID TEAMS FROM THE THREE MANUFACTURERS ARE EXPECTED IN NAIROBI OVZR NEXT MONTH.

2. KA TECHNICAL MANAGER CONFIRMED TO EMBOFF THAT DECISION TO PURCHASE WIDE-BODIES HAS BEEN MADE TO ENABLE KA TO KEEP PACE WITH GROWING AND LUCRATIVE EUROPE - KENYA TRAFFIC. HE SAID, HOWEVER, DECISION ON MANUFACTURER AND NUMBER OF AIRCRAFT HAS NOT BEEN MADE AND WILL BE DETERMINED BY SALES OFFERS MADE. HE SAID HE EXPECTS DECISION WITHIN NEXT SIX MONTHS.

3. RUMORS IN AVIATION CIRCLES INDICATE FRENCH HAVZ ENTERED PICTURE WITH A-300 AIRBUS, OFFERING FINANCING AT 4.5 PERCENT. KA TECHNICAL MANAGER, HOWEVER, SAID FRENCH HAVE NOT APPROACHED KA.

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